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TAGS: ASUP AFSP PDIP IR
SUBJ: DUTY FREE PRIVILEGES AND TAX LIABILITIES OF FS NON-
DKPLOMATIC PERSONNEL

REF: STATE 183999

1. DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ARE ISSUED WHITE ID CARD BY THE
MFA. NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL RECEIVED YELLOW CARD. PERSONNEL
HOLDING WHITE ID CARD ARE PERMITTED ACCESS TO THE TRANSIT AREA
OF AIRPORT; YELLOW CARD HOLDERS ARE NOT PERMITTED ACCESS TO THIS
AREA WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING AIRPORT PASS. AIRPORT PASSES DIFF-
ICULT TO OBTAIN. TELEPHONE CLEARANCE MAY BE GIVEN, BUT NO
GUARANTEE THAT POLICEMAN AT AIRPORT WILL HAVE RECEIVED NOTICE.
DIFFICULTY ARISES WHEN VISITORS OR NEW EMPLOYEES MUST BE MET AND
ASSISTED AT AIRPORT. BURDEN OF MEETING AND ASSISTING OFFICIAL
VISITORS OR NEW EMPLOYEES FALLS ON DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL.

2. DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ARE PERMITTED TO EMPLOY THIRD
COUNTRY NATIONALS (TCNS) AS DOMESTICS, BY REGISTERING
TCN WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY. TCNS EMPLOYED BY NON-DIPLOMATIC
PERSONNEL MUST OBTAIN RESIDENCE AND WORK PERMIT, WHICH
DOMESTICS HAVE DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING. TCH SERVANTS
HIRED BY DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ARE OFTEN WILLING TO WORK
FOR LESS MONEY THAN IRANIAN SERVANTS IN EXCHANGE FOR
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FOREIGN MINISTRY REGISTRATION WHICH PERMIT TCH TO LEGALLY
REMAIN IN IRAN.

3. IRANIAN CUSTOMS HAS THE LEGAL RIGHT TO INSPECT INCOMING
AIR FREIGHT AND PERSONAL HAND LUGGAGE OF NON-DIPLOMATIC
PERSONNEL. HOWEVER, EMB AND IRANIAN CUSTOMS HAS
INFORMAL AGREEMENT WHEREBY CUSTOMS DOES NOT EXERCISE THIS

RIGHT. DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ARE FORMALLY EXEMPT FROM CUSTOM'S SEARCH. IF IRANIAN CUSTOMS ELECTED TO EXERCISE LEGAL RIGHT TO SEARCH INCOMING AIR FREIGHT AND BAGGAGE OF NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL, CUSTOMS DUTIES COULD BE ASSESSED ON GOODS BEING IMPORTED BY NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN IN IRAN OVER 9 MONTHS.

4. AUTOMOBILES BELONGING TO DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL BEAR DIPLOMATIC LICENSE PLATES; NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL ARE ISSUED SERVICE PLATES FOR POVS. ALTHOUGH AUTOMOBILES BEARING DIPLOMATIC PLATES MAY BE ACCORDED MORE RESPECT BY POLICE, THERE IS ESSENTIALLY NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PLATES.

5. DIFFERENCES RELATING TO IMPORTATION OF AUTOMOBILES AND HHE ANSWERED IN TEHRAN 6954.
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